

Military Information from Wuenstorf

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. From 3 to 15 November 1952, the Cambrai Kaserne on the east side of Highway No 96 in Wuenstorf-Zoozen was still occupied by a total of 1,800 men belonging to a motor transport unit and an AAA unit. Most of the soldiers were red-bordered black epaulettes with artillery insignia and about 30 percent black-bordered black epaulettes. _____ the motor transport unit furnished vehicles for the units in Wuenstorf and that the unit proper was quartered in the eastern section of the billeting area. In the western section of the billeting area, which housed the AAA unit, _____ an emplacement with 1 heavy AA guns of about 85-mm caliber or more, with barrels of about 5 meters, with perforated cylindrical muzzle brakes, and 3 x 37-mm AA guns northwest of building No 170 and another emplacement with 7 x 37-mm AA guns northeast of house No 168. The individual guns were surrounded by earth mounds. Two or three earth bunkers housing the gun crews were observed in each emplacement. No ballistic directors were noticed. Seventeen heavy AA guns were lined up in two rows north of building No 170 east of the first emplacement. These guns were of the same type as those observed in the first emplacement. On 11 November, alert practices were held by the crew of the second emplacement. The crew rushed from the earth bunkers at the sound of a bell, removed the tarpaulins from the guns and started aiming at small wooden aircraft models. On the mornings of 11, 12, and 13 November, 30 to 45 officers with ranks of lieutenant and senior lieutenant and wearing signal insignia engaged in physical exercises which included the climbing of walls and running across horizontal bars with rifles and bayonets fixed. They also engaged in close combat practice with dummies. Trucks _____ stopped at the main entrance. One or two large camouflage nets which _____ covered other AAA emplacements, were seen about 900 meters northeast of the Cambrai Kaserne, in an open field. 25X1

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2. From mid-September until mid-October, there was relatively little training activity with the headquarters in Wuenstorf as many officers participated in the fall maneuvers. Training activity returned to normal about 20 October and it appeared that all headquarters were back to full strength. Colonel Khokhlov (fnu) was determined as chief of the tank repair shop in Wuenstorf and Captain 25X1

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Shibalovich (fnu) as chief of the Kech construction bureau in the Stammlager. [redacted] Lieutenant Colonel Toshchev (fnu) resumed his duties after being absent for several weeks. Contrary to previous assumptions according to which Lieutenant Colonel Vdovinn (fnu) was carried as high-ranking MVD officer [redacted] Vdovinn is the accountant with a high administration office in Leipzig. His superior is Colonel Moskvina (fnu) who is believed to be quartered in the Stammlager Zossen. [redacted] Moskvina possibly is chief of the MVD.²

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3. At the end of October and the beginning of November, an AA emplacement with four heavy AA guns of about 85-mm caliber was observed in the area 300 meters west of the Stammlager Zossen, between Highway No 96 and the railroad line. Eight bunkers for quartering personnel were noticed in the emplacement. Soldiers were engaged in entrenching work on 8 November.³

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4. [redacted] a komendatura with 3 officers and 4 EN had been established on Zossener Strasse, Schoeneiche, at the beginning of November.

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- b. The unit of Major Pluzhnikov (fnu) was to pay a bill of 1,359 east-marks for work performed in Camp Heidehof [redacted]

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- c. Gds Colonel (Tech) Tulyakov (fnu), chief of the technical section with the Potsdam komendatura was requested to take measures that a bill for work performed for the Unit of Lieutenant Colonel Kolotov (fnu) in Camp Heidehof was paid.

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- d. On 4 February 1950, Major (Tech) Ryachenko (fnu) was chief of the Koch of the district of Luckenwalde.
- e. On 28 March 1952, Captain Shubalovich (fnu) was chief of the Koch in Kuensdorf.
- f. On 24 June 1950, a work order for construction work at the commercial section of Major Baklanov (fnu), formerly Kusnetsov (fnu), in Jueterbog II, to be cleared by the central office of the commercial section [redacted] Luckenwalde, was made out for the Luckenwalde central construction bureau by the Koch for the district of Luckenwalde.
- g. In June 1950, mention was made of a central accounting office of [redacted] Unit Aleksandrovski and chief accountant Captain Karosiarov (fnu).
- h. On 7 April 1951, Lieutenant Colonel (Tech) Ryachenko (fnu) was chief of the Koch in Luckenwalde.
- i. On 18 July 1950, Colonel Babshkin (fnu) was chief, and Rybakov (fnu) accountant, of the Koch in Luckenwalde.
- j. On 4 February 1950, Captain Voronin (fnu) received furniture for Unit [redacted] in Kuensdorf.

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1. [redacted] Comment. The Cambrai Kaserne is still occupied by large elements of the 2d Gds Art Div. [redacted] It appears that elements of the motor transport unit of the GOFU which moved to Potsdam in Mar 1952 were back at the installation.

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2. [redacted] Comment. Except for Colonel Moskvin, the officers were previously reported on in connection with these offices. For Colonel Toshchev, see [redacted] Comment 4.

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3. [redacted]

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5. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the commercial section of the Third Gds Motor Army in Jueterbog. Gds Lieutenant Colonel Valyukov was mentioned in connection with this section in November 1950 when the section was still stationed in Luckenwalde. Major Pluzhnikov is chief of a supply unit of the 7th Gds Tank Div which, still in 1950, conducted its summer training in Camp Jerder-Markendorf. The Weidehof estate is located inside of the camp and is used as quarters for the division headquarters.

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Colonel Tulpakov was also mentioned in September 1952 as belonging to the Section Military Posts, presumably of the SCC in Potsdam. Lieutenant Colonel Kolotov mentioned in paragraph 6k in connection with Kosslan has been known as administrative officer of the 7th Gds Tank Div since July 1950. Captain Shubalovich is known as chief of the Kech in Muensdorf-Kossen since 1951. Aleksandrovski belongs to the commercial section of the Third Gds Tech Army. It cannot be determined whether he, or his Lieutenant Colonel Mayukov mentioned above, is chief of the section.

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